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Office Action Summary	Application No. 10/790,047	Applicant(s) SKAAKSRUD ET AL	
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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 02 March 2004.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 30-36 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 30-36 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 02 March 2004 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

1. This application is a divisional of 09/456,432 examiner acknowledges the cancellation of claims 1-29 and 37-38.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

2. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

3. Claims 30-36 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102 (e) as being anticipated by Knowles et al (5,869,819).

Regarding method, computer system and system claims 30, 33 and 36 Knowles discloses,

Inputting information at a user terminal (note col. 22 lines 34-37, inputs encoded labels on a package at a terminal (delivery computer)) to retrieve package routing information (note col. 22 lines 36-37 and 44-45 retrieves URL encoded, RDBMS is associated with URL and fig. 13b shows package routing information as part of RDBMS), wherein said inputted information contains package identification (note col. 22

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lines 35-36, encoded label examiner interprets as package identification, each label is unique with a package) required by said at least one alias server to retrieve said package routing information (note col. 22 lines 40-43, encoded data is required by Internet server to retrieve RDBMS information that includes package routing information);

Transmitting said inputted information from user terminal to said alias server (note col. 22 lines 36-41, URL/zip-code encoded label, which is the inputted information, which is read from a user terminal (driver's delivery computer) connects internet server via internet (alias server) using URL information from encoded label, thus information encode information transmitted);

Transferring package routing from said alias server to said user terminal (note col. 22 lines 44-47 RDBMS displayed on the display screen recovered by internet server via internet (alias server), examiner interpret as transferring package routing from said internet server via internet 1 (alias server) to said terminal (display of package delivery computer), provided said alias server locates a database record corresponding to said inputted information (this feature is inherent in that alias server (internet) locates database (RDBMS record link, note col. 22 lines 44-45) which corresponds to label on the package, which is unique, thus server locates records corresponding to inputted information).

Regarding method and computer system claims 31 and 34 Knowles discloses,

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Transferring package routing information, accessing a package information server by said alias server (note fig. 10 block 1 and 51 in connection with col. 18 lines 36-38, wherein package information server (RTD server) is accessed by said alias server (global telecommunication network i.e. internet).

Regarding method and computer system claims 32 and 35 Knowles discloses,

Transferring package routing information, accessing a package tracking database by said alias server (note fig. 10 block 1 and 51 in connection with col. 18 lines 36-38 and col. 19 lines 25-40, package tracking database RDBMS within RTD server, wherein RTD server is accessed by said alias server (internet 1). Thus package tracking database (RDBMS) is accessed by said alias server (internet 1).

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Gregory M. Desire whose telephone number is (703) 308-9586. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F (8:30-6:00) Second Monday off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Bhavesh Mehta can be reached on (703) 308-5246. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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Examiner
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G.D.
October 29, 2004

